## FUR-BEARERS.

Something About the Animals Whose Warm Coats are Sacrificed for Man's Comfort.

THE STOAT OR ERMINE.

The Ermine Circumpolar-One Species of Stoat the Same Everywhere-Its Specific Characters Like Those of the Wessel-Change of Color not Dependent upon Change of Coat-Ermines Cruel. Preducious, and Bloodthirsty - Not Truly Fos-

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N his valuable work on "The Fur-Bearing Animals of North America," Dr. Cones states the following propositions concerning the features and relationships of this SEULL OF ERMINE. animal, viz:

"The ermine of Europe, Asia and America are specifically identical. None of the supposed characters which any existence in nature except as peculiarities

of individual specimens examined. "The American ermines are of two forms according to size alone, which in the extremes stand widely apart, but which glide insensibly

into each other. "Within certain limits, \* \* \* length of the whole animal, length of tail, either absolately, or relatively to that of the body, and length of the black portion, either absolutely, or relatively to that of the tail, are utterly

fallacious as a means of specific diagnosis. "No question of coloration, of stoutness of body, of shape of ear, or furriness of feet, of character of pelage, and the like, can enter into the question, since such details are proven an atmosphere impregnated with the fumes of fortuitous circumstances of sex, age, season, locality, or merely normal individual vari-

These statements are plain and comprehensive, and they also clearly indicate the points which are disputed. The fourth and fifth alone require any comment, but before treating of the acter, but like it also, it displays unfaltering variations of this species, its essential characters should be defined,

Potorius (Gale) erminea, the stoat or ermine, is the typical form of its tribe. Like other members of the wessel group, it has 34 teeth of a carnivorous pattern, its skull is more cylindrical than evoidal in contour, the nose is short and cut off squarely, the forehead convex, and



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the cranial surface but slightly marked with those bony processes which always accompany the attachment of massive muscles, such as are found among several mustelidæ heretofore de-

IN LENGTH THE ERMINE'S HEAD AND BODY

tebrie three and a half or four inches more. This latter member is bushy all the year round, and always tipped with black. During Summer stoats are bi-colored, being of a dull mahogany powers of chase and a higher grade of detint on the upper part of the body, and "pale sulphury yellow below." This yellowish hue occasionally appears in streaks when the Winentirely white, with the exception of the end | tures. of the tail. Ermines typify in their external appearance "a group of carnivorous mammals cailed vermiform," because the hight is greatly exceeded by the length (their limbs in all instances being very short), and also because their lithe and sinuous motions resemble the characextension of the neck that this bodily elongation is chiefly due. There is also but little difregion and the trunk. A slight abdominal protuberance impairs the otherwise cylindrical outline of the crmine's form. Its head is depressed, but the apparent breadth it exhibits considerable development of the jaw muscles, since the brain-case itself has but little expannose and ears, the last named being high and smooth and slight bony structure of the exute, with the low forehead and protruding | the pole. canine teeth, to a peculiarly sinister and ferocious physiognomy," All ermines have wide mouths, have nose-pads with a median furrow, Email, round, oblique nostrils, long but scanty whiskers, and their fore and hind limbs are insecond joint. From this point they taper downwards, giving to feet which are really broad an illusory appearance of slenderness.

THE LAST-NAMED MEMBERS are likewise depressed; their third and fourth digits are much the longest, and the thumb is considerably shortened. Being a climbing animal, its claws are long, curved and sharp, though not retractile. Whether the soles and prime are furred, and to what extent, depends greatly upon season and latitude; sometimes they are covered, but in warm weather or southern regions the digital pads remain visi-

If a series of specimens from Siberia, British America, Northern and Central Europe and the New England and Western States and Territories were laid before us, we should find that they presented conspicuous differences in color and its distribution, and in general and regional dimensions, together with other quite apparent though minor divergencies. That mone of these afford an adequate basis for the establishment of species, and that, when the specimens are sufficiently numerous, they will ground, leaving Young Mule dismounted. is also the case, for it may be regarded as proven, that there is but one specific and circumpoler form of ermine, whose variations are merely casual. Periodical blanching, or the whitening of its coat in Winter, is a phenomenon which, on account of its economical importance, has naturally attracted much attention. It is this whiteness that makes the pelt of the imperial ermine so valuable. Scientific interest is confined to the change itself, and the manner in which it occurs. Various explanations of the way in which this alteration in color takes place have been offered. Some have suggested that it was analogous with that ordinarily wrought by age in the human hair; others regarded it as an almost immediate transformation, associated with shedding the entire coat, and still others supposed it to happen more slowly. The only certain account is that given by Dr. Coues, and he may be said to have contributed the explanation to natural history in the guise of demonstrated fact. After discussing the hypothesis above specified, he observes that "the question practically narrows to this: Is the change coincident with the remewa! of the coat, or is it independent of this, or may it occur both ways? Simple facts of observation not open to question \* \* N. Y., acting under the advice of General Masprove the last statement. \* \* If the ter Workman Powderly, and that the men regulate temperature be experienced.

AT THE PERIODS OF THE RENEWAL greatly contributes to the preservation of the | declared off to take the old men back. They race in two ways, both of which are of the ut- want to go back and the railroad company most importance. In the first place, during | wants them; therefore the men are defeated that long period when the surface of the and the company wins,

ground is covered with snow, whiteness greatly aids the steat in concealing itself from its enemies; and in the second, this assimilation of color to surrounding objects, efficiently assists it in approaching its prey. Finally, white is the warmest dress for a living body. A "snow image" wrapped in black and placed in the sun will melt more rapidly than when covered with white material, from the fact that it is exposed to more heat; but in an organism warmed by the oxidation of its own tissues the reverse is true, because, while black absorbs most heat, white radiates least caloric, and when the source of heat is internal instead of external, it follows that the latter must neceseffectually than the former.

Stoat, according to Skinner, is most probably the Belgic "stout" (bold) anglacised, and the word is still pronounced in some places in the | the leaders in the execution of the plot. German manner. Ermine comes from Armenia, in which country the animal was at one time thought to be indigenous. Putorius, its generic designation, refers, as was explained, to the fetid order of the glands present in most mustelidæ. It is very appropriate to the creature in question, whose flesh even the foul-feeding polar tribes will not eat, and than whom few can be more offensive when, under the influence of anger, fear or sexual passion these organs are, in both sexes, excited to action.

AMONG ERMINES THE FEMALE IS MUCH SMALLER than the male, but they are otherwise identical. Their homes are situated in hollow stumps, logs or trees, and they also live under rocks

and in burrows. From March to June, accordhave been relied upon to separate them have ing to the latitude, but generally, perhaps, in April, a litter of four or five young make their appearance, and in the far north, Pallas, who speaks from personal observation, states that the mother may be still in her Winter dress when they are born. About the 10th day the infant stoats become distinctly bi-colored, being of an ashy hue above and white on the lower parts of the body. There is a superstition to the effect that so cleanly are the ermine's habits that it dies if its coat be defiled. The truth is it looks clean in Winter, because there is then little opportunity of smirching its white fur, but at home it lives in the midst of offal derived from the remains of its victims, and, when this garbage is not frozen, breathes decomposing animal matter. Every bad quality possessed by the weasel is shared by the stoat. It is as fierce and sanguinary as the former, and equally given to useless and indiscriminate murcountenance indicates the bratality of its charcourage and devotion in the defense of its young. Hogg's observations show that similarly with weasels they hunt both by sight and smell, but no record of their forming packs, as St. John reports of their allies, has come to the writer's notice. Pallas says that they can swim, and Audubon that they avoid water. These statements are quite reconcilable; still great advantage over most of the animals it stroyed, together with domestic fowls, all kinds of eggs, mice, rats, moles, hares and rabbits; in fact everything it can kill, goes to supply the ermine's larder. Its predatory instincts are the weasel's blind and useless ferocity fully ap- of the people killed or injured live near the plies to itsully. None of those great carnivora | scene of the accident, some of them being whose names have passed into common language | prominent persons. as the synonyms for ferocity exceed, or even equal, these diminutive murderers; and, says everage about nine or ten inches, and its tail ver. | Macgillivray, speaking of the tribe generally, none display "a wider or more searching range of active operations against a greater variety of objects, more persevering or more enduring structiveness." In relative strength and destroying power, in ruthless cruelty and superlative bloodthirstiness, nothing that lives can

> The stoat does not avoid man's vicinity as many of its relations do, and although its depredations are sometimes serious, upon the whole it perhaps does as much good as harm.

ITS HABITS ARE SOLITARY, and the families soon disperse, so that, except teristic movements of worms. It is to the great | during the rutting season, two are seldom seen together. Nocturnal for the most part, they yet frequently go abroad by day while proference, either in skape or size, between that | viding for their young, at which period they are extremely industrious and in continual movement. Though not infrequently the ermine inhabits a burrow, it can hardly be called fossorial, since in such cases it lives in excavamust be regarded as mainly dependent upon a tions made by other animals whom it has dispossessed or slain. Capt. Lyon and Dr. Richardson assert that it digs in the snow, however, as sion. The eyes are placed midway between the | the white bear is said to do when her cubs are about to be born; and for the rest stoats are rounded; the former organs are small, and the | strictly circumpolar, and range from about the prints themselves correspond with the generally | middle of the Northern Hemisphere, nearly, if not in some places quite, to the shores of the termi table of its skull; but "they glitter." Arctic Ocean, while the species exhibits a mays Cowes," with changing hues, and contrib- | marked increase in its numbers as we approach

A Couple of Red Devils.

The details of the killing of Head Chief and Young Mule, the murderers of Hugh Boyle, at the Cheyenne Agency, are equal to any dime completely separated from the body above the | novel account of warfare on the border. It seems that the father of Head Chief came to the Agent and undertook to negotiate for the surrender of the fugitives and secure immunity from punishment by giving up a number of ponies. The Agent refused to negotiate, and the father said the boys would come to the agency and make a fight to the death, and he ndicated from what direction the two Indians would come, and that the soldiers had better look out, for they were desperate. The troops and Indian police were drawn up to meet them. In about half an hour the two renegades were seen coming at full speed in war paint and feathers. They charged along the full length of line occupied by the troops and police, shoota whirlwind, repeating the attack as before, and | mand. escaping without damage. They then started to climb a hill in front of the troops. When half

mouth, and was killed instantly.

ion, prepared to follow, chanting the death song. He started down the hill afoot and was charghit in the side. He jumped into a hole in the ground and fired one shot after getting under cover. This was about I o'clock in the afternoon and hostilities coased until evening, when

Young Mule was found dead in his rifle-pit.

back as non-union men.

The Strike on the N. Y. Central Ended. What promised some 44 days ago to be the greatest strike on record in the laboring world was on Wednesday last declared off by General | and there were over 6,000 people who partici-Master Workman Powderly, and on Thursday who belong to the Knights of Labor fairly and | with an address, and was followed by Col. E.

Dennis McCarthy, one of the leaders of the strike, said that the strike had been declared that all but about 25, who had made themselves opposite color, if not, they will appear of the taken back. Of this, however, he was not quite same color; and afterward change." That is, sure, but he thought that less than 100 of the above and yellowish-white below; and these | Labor. So long as they return to work as non- | 1861-1865 at his feet. tints fade and the fur bleaches subsequently, union men, the railroad company would be if the weather grows very cold. The purpose | very glad to receive them. He said also that achieved by the transformation of a bi-colored | the company had hundreds of applications, animal into a colorless one is obvious. It and had only been waiting for the strike to be

CRIMES AND GABUALTIES.

The Confession of the Train Wreckers. Thomas L. Cain and Arthur Buett, who are implicated with Reed, Cordial and Kiernan, who are implicated in an attempt to wreck trains on the New York Central Railroad near Albany, have made confessions. These confessious were secured by Robert Pinkerton, and it is said that the most startling revelations is in evidence implicating the official leader of strike, who is at least an accomplice after the fact. Certain of the conspirators say that Edward J. Lee personally furnished them money with which to leave the country after they had wrecked the Montreal express. They sarily maintain the normal temperature more | give details of Lee's conversation with them, when and how the money was paid, and describe the Master Workman's long conferences

> Reed had been a brakeman on the Hudson River Division; Kiernan was a brakeman and yardman; Cordial had been a conductor on the Hudson River Division; Cain was a yardman and Buett was an assistant to the latter in the Cain and Buett were captured in Canada, whither they had fled, as they state, with the money furnished by Master Workman Lee. After Cain, Buett and Reed had made whisky and cautioning him at the peril of his stances under which he gave them money to go

The general officers of the Knights of Labor were shocked at the disclosures made, and said that until these confessions were published, believed that the men were innocent of the charges preferred against them, and they had intended to defend them, but, if they swear trains, they would make a thorough investigation, and lend every assistance to the authorithat sort of warfare, nor do they tolerate within their ranks men who will resort to it. They der. Like its disreputable little relation, its | the slightest knowledge of the guilt of these after the fact of their heinous crimes.

A Terrible Railroad Accident. One of the most disastrous railroad accidents years happened on the Reading Railroad, near high, like a dog. Likewise stoats are not ning at the rate of 40 miles an hour, ran into market. so arboreal as martens, but they climb with | the wreck, and went down the embankment, facility, and it has been shown that Audubon | which was 20 feet high, and into the river. was wrong in denying that they pursued their | There were three ordinary coaches filled with rey in trees like the European marten and passengers and two Pullman sleepers, besides a American pekan. Wherever it hunts, however, | mail, baggage and express car. The locomoit does so with all the success that boldness, live, baggage, mail and first Pullman car agility, cunning, persistence and extreme agti- | plunged down into the river, while the other ity can confer, and in all places in which the | cars were thrown down the embankment and ground is thickly covered with vegetation, its | splintered, but did not reach the water. Twenty-

lithe form gives it, as Macgillivray observes, a one dead were taken from the wreck, and over 50 were injured, some of whom will die. It pursues. Game birds, including the wary and | seems that there was negligence on the part of strong-winged grouse and ptarmigan, are de. | trainmen of the first wreck, who had plenty of time to warn the approaching express train, but they were considerably shaken up, and all seem to have lost their heads. It is the worst loss of life ever reported on the Reading Road, inordinately developed, and all that was said of | and the whole country is in mourning, as most

Affairs in Central America.

Everything is now quiet in Guatemala and there is a general feeling of satisfaction that martial struggles are now over. The officers and men of the United States war vessels Thetis and Ranger are glad that orders have been received to leave Guatemalan shores. The Thetis leaves for Nicaragua, touching at La Union, Salvador and Amapala, Honduras, while the Ranger ter cont has been assumed, and the creature is surpass these malevolent and implacable crea- goes direct to Punta Arenas, Costa Rica, and from thence to Panama, which is her station. Americans in the city of Guatemala regret the departure of these vessels, and a sense of insecurity will be felt when they are gone. The popular feeling is that some foreign war vessel should be stationed at some Guatemalan port until all the recent troubles are settled more satisfactorily.

A letter was received by President Ezeta from Minister Mizner, informing him that cable instructions have been received by him to formally recognize Ezeta's election as President of Salvador.

The Naval Veterans. Commodore Wm. S. Wells, commanding the National Association of Naval Veterans, has issued a General Order in which he assumes com-

"In assuming the honor conferred upon

me, I feel the responsibility and realize the labor inseparable from the position, but, but, at the same time, I feel greatly encouraged for our immediate success in the assistance and co-operation I am receiving from the most excellent corps of officers chosen. That there may not te any misconstruction or misunderstanding as to the object of the National Naval Veteran Association, I quote the following from our Constitution: 'The object of this Association shall be to cherish the memory and associations of the war of the late rebellion. perpetuate the glorious name and deeds of our Navy, to strengthen the ties of fraternal fellowship and sympathy, to advance the best in-

our great service entitle us to."

A Wisconsin Monument Dedicated.

The people of Stevens Point, Wis., dedicated recently a monument to the soldiers of Portage County, who died in the late war. Visiting Grand Army Posts were present from Amherat, Plover, Blaine, Marshfield and Grand Rapids, pated in the ceremonies. There were over nearly 3,800 men applied to the New York | 200 Grand Army men in the procession. Com-Central Railroad Company for work. The men | mander D. Lloyd Jones opened the exercises frankly admit their defeat, and they will go | S. Eiliott in one of the finest efforts ever heard in Wisconsin,

The monument stands 31 feet high, from the base to top of flagstaff, and is the finest in Northern Wisconsin. A color-bearer adorns the top, and from the base to the top of his hend is 28 feet. The die is in Wisconsia red would go back to work as non-union men, and granite, and bears the inscription, "Portage County to her heroes who fought, and her marof the cost, the new hairs will some out of an obnoxious to the company, would probably be tyrs who fell, that the public might live," A cannon, carved in granite, rests on each of the four corners. The State shield is upon each of an ermine need not necessarily become white strikers would be immediately set to work, as | two sides, and the National shield upon two in Autumn, and very frequently does not do they were experienced men and that the railroad others, with the coat-of-arms above. The rest so, but if the climate is then severe enough, company had nothing to complain of against of the monument is in Vermont gray granite, the hair comes out white, and if not dark | them but the fact that they were Knights of | including the color-bearer, with the figures

> Poor but Proud. [Munsey's Weekly.]

Tramp-Will you kindly assist an old man who has seen better days?

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Timothy Corbett, of Baltimore, killed himself by backing at his throat with one large butcher knife while stabbing himself with another .- A switch engine on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railread crashed into the rear of an excursion train at the Douglass the Knights of Labor in the New York Central | Park Station, Chicago, and as a result four people were killed and eight injurned .- Through a flagman's carelessness, a wrecking train ran into an engine on the Baltimore & Ohio, near Connellsville, Pa., and killed the engineer and badly injured the fireman and several other railway men .- The British ship Ventura, bound for Ireland, returned to San Francisco and reported encountering on Friday a terrific with the two men, who now say that they were gale that swept the decks, capsized the ship. and washed two seamen overboard. A wave a hundred feet high was encountered, ---- Soven Turks and their dancing bears were drowned while camping in a dry gulley near Fort Smith,

Ark., it being filled suddenly by a severe storm. -The saloon of Isadore Mulvaney, of San-Albany yard. All these men were prominent | ford, Ind., was partially wrecked by dynamite, strikers and members of the Knights of Labor. | and it is supposed the women, who objected to its presence in the town, attempted its demolition .- While James Hardaker and Eva Holden, a 16-year-old girl, were on their home from a dance near Amherst, Mass., they were full confessions, Cordial got started in the fired upon by John Davis, a rejected suitor for same direction. It appears that Kiernan was the girl's hand. Miss Holden was instantly a leading spirit in the wrecking business, and | killed and her escort dangerously wounded. he induced Cain, who is but 23 years old, to Mrs. Eliza Holden, of Monticello, Ill., who was join him, after first having plied him with | convicted of murdering Harley Russell on circumstantial evidence, has confessed that she life not to betray him. Both Cain and Buett, and one of her sons waylaid Russell and killed give minute details of the several attempts to him. - The funerals of the young German wreck trains, and also their conversation with actress, Emilie Rossi, and her artist lover Gus-Master Workman Lee, his advice to them to tay Koch, both having committed suicide by leave the country at once, and the circum- mutual arrangement last Thursday, took place in New York, and the wishes of the young people

that they should be cremated were carried out. -Two colored boys, who had bitten each other in a fight, died at Midway, Ala., with symptoms of hydrophobia. -- Capt. D. W. Storer and six of the crew of the Abbie Clifford arrived in New York on the steamship Orinoco from Bermuda. The Abbie Clifford that they took part in the wrecking of the foundered in a West Indian cyclone. The Captain's wife was swept overboard and the Captain and crew of eight men spent five days ties to bring the guilty parties to justice, as the on a raft without drinking-water, supporting Order of Knights of Labor do not recognize life with a few raisins, - Lightning struck a the State of Pennsylvania about \$46,000 for store at Provincetown, Mass., killing Solomon Stanley and Capt. Ralph Atwood and slightly militia to repel invasion of the State. - Mr. do not believe that Master Workman Lee had | shocking 12 other people. - George Deistel, a | Vere V. Hunt, a Chicago lawyer and politisewing-machine agent, shot and mortally men or that he was accessory either before or | wounded on Lexington avenue, New York, Francis Birk, a machinist, who had induced Mrs. Deistel to desert her husband and children. --- A hundred colored people were poisoned by arsenic mysteriously placed in the meat at that has occurred in the country for many a barbecue at Callerine, Ala. Eight of those poisoned have died and 20 others are not ex-Shoemakerville, Pa., on Friday evening last. | pected to recover. - R. Gardner Chase & Co., Above the village of Shoemakerville there is bankers and brokers, of Boston, have failed an abrupt curve, and here a freight train had with \$2,000,000 liabilities and \$1,750,000 possi- fought 25 years ago, Sept. 20. There were two the ermine is certainly not as aquatic as the run into a coal train, and the debris was piled ble assets. The failure is said to be due to a objects in view, one to visit the old battlefields,

> POLITICAL. Pearce, of Lynn; Secretary of State, John F. | ion, Fifth Army Corps."

Village; Treasurer, William D. Trefrey, of erable time. Marblehead; Auditor, Edward L. Munn, of Holyoke; Attorney-General, Elisha B. Maynard, of Springfield .- Connecticut Republi can Convention, placed the following ticket in the field: For Governor, Samuel E. Merwin, of New Haven; Lieutenant-Governor, George A. Bowen, of Woodstock; Secretary of State, troller, L. S. Catlin, of Bridgeport. - The State Conference of Methodist ministers has draw either from politics or from the ministry. -Gov. Gordon accepts ex-Senator Norwood's himself a candidate for the United States Seuate. -- Congressman Butterworth, of the 1st be a candidate for re-election.

FOREIGN, Advices from the South Sea Islands tell of the growth of a semi-slave traffic among the Islands of the Solomon group and the New savages to the larger islands to work on the new Encampment officials mustered, and the plantations. - John Dillon made a speech at a Nationalist meeting at Swinford, County Mayo, in which he denounced the English Government's tactics in dealing with the Nationalists. -Berlin society has been shocked by the suicide within a few hours of each other of terests of this Association, and to extend all | Count von Schlentiz, son of the Governor of Silepossible relief to the widows and children of sia, Count von Schaumberg-Lippe, son of Prince members, to further the cultivation of naval | Frederick William of Hanau, and Baron von science, to inforce unqualified allegiance to the | Loeper. They were members of the same dis-General Government, to protect the rights and | sipated circle of jounesse doree. - The Braliberties of American citizenship and to main- | zilian elections resulted in a complete indorsetain National honor, union and independence.' | ment of the Republican Government, the This, then, is the basis of the work before us,- | friends of the overthrown Empire casting combut it must be distinctly born in mind, that we | paratively few votes .- M. Mermeix, author are in no way antagonistic or inimical to that | of the recent Boulanger exposures, was wounded grandest order on the face of the earth, the | in a duel with M. Dumonteil, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, in which we are | Chamber of Deputies .- The famous old Moor- | each Encampment are numbered by hundreds. ing and yelling like demons. The soldiers nearly all members, both loyal and enthusias- ish Palace and Fort of the Alhambra, in Granafired a volley or two in return, but failed to do | tic, and are pleased to realize that Shipmate | da, has been badly damaged by fire. - The City any damage. As soon as the Indians were out | Richard F. Tobin now holds the honor in the | of Stockholm gave a dinner to the officers of the of range they turned and rode back again like National organization of being second in com- U. S. Steamship Baltimore, which conveyed the remains of Inventor Ericsson to Sweden.-"It is desired that the National Association | The Austrian war ship Taurus, with a crew of amount of ore. In 1884 the greatest product be made the central bureau of information in 69 men and four officers, has foundered in the was reached, 200,000 tons having been removed way up a chance shot from the military hit | regard to all matters pertaining to the naval | Black Sea .- Twenty-five miners were killed | from the bowels of the earth, and for two years Young Mule's pony and brought him to the veterans of the country. To accomplish this, by an explosion in the Maybach pit at Sanet after almost the same number was taken out the Commanders of all associations are request- Wendel, Rhenish Prussis .- A. D. Bryce but the mines have been falling off very rapidly Head Chief then turned and rode down the to send a roster and list of membership to these | Douglass, managing director of the Naval Con- | since then, and two years ago the Vulcan constitute an ascending or descending scale, bill at a terrific pace, making directly for the Headquarters as soon as possible, and subse-struction Company, of Borrow-in-Furness, has Works, whose capacity was 15,000 tons per struction Company, of Borrow-in-Furness, has seconding to the way they are looked at, in which, however, there is no break or interval line of troops and police, meanwhile firing his quently a notification when there are any sailed for America, where he will select a site month, closed up for want of sufficient ore. rifie as rapidly as possible. It is reported that | changes. It is, therefore, our object to induce | on which to establish extensive shipyards .--- | Though the company sunk another shaft at | the line of battle wavered and broke, but just all the associations of the country, and those Lord Wolsely will succeed Prince Edward, of enormous expense, and continued to prospect, it before Head Chief penetrated it he fell, shot | that will hereafter be formed, to procure a | Saxeweimar, in the command of the forces in | only succeeded in striking one small voin near twice through the forehead and once in the | charter and connect themselves with the Na- | Ireland, the latter's term being about to expire. | the surface, which was soon worked out. All

tional Association. This they can do without | --- The King of Portugal has accepted the res-Young Mule, noting the fate of his compan- any surrender of their present privileges. A ignation of his entire Cabinet, which retired iron mines have ceased to be. solidification of this kind would enable us to from office owing to the opposition to the present a great power for legislation, and give | Anglo-Portugese Treaty. --- A fight is reported ing directly into the line of troops when he was us the position to command such attention at to have occurred between Federal troops and acquired by Chouteau, Harrison & Valle. Be our next or future Reunions as the merits of | the people at Mendrisio, in the Swiss Canton of Ticino where the recent revolution took place. -Emperor William of Germany went to Rhonstock to meet the Emperor of Austria, and affectionate greetings were interchanged between the two monarchs. - John Dillon and



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William O'Brien were arrested in Ireland on a charge of conspiracy and inciting tenants not to pay their rents. Dillon was taken to Tipperary and O'Brien to Cork. Both were released on bail. Warrants have also been issued for the arrest of Messrs. Sheedy and Condon, M. P., Patrick O'Brien, Rev. David Humphreys

and Mr. Dalton on similar charges. GENERAL. The Utah Commission has forwarded its report to the Secretary of the Interior, and recommend further legislation in support of existing laws, declaring that the Mormon Church has not abandoned polygamy, but honors wellknown polygamists by electing them to the chief positions of trust .- The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows has reversed the action of the Missonri Lodge declaring saloon keepers not eligible to membership in the order .- Judge Woods, of the United States District Court for Indiana, explains and defends his second charge to the Grand Jury in connection with the alleged attempts at bribery at the election of 1888 in that State,-The widow and daughter of Maj.-Gen. John C. Fremont, the "Pathfinder," are reported to be in circumstances of absolute destitution in Los Angeles, Cal. - The Sanitary police of New York completed the census of the Second Ward of the city and reported an excess of nearly 30 per cent, in population as shown by the Government Census. The Health Commissioners therefore called upon the Mayor to order a new census of the entire city. - The iron steamship Vigilancia, built at Roach's yard for the Brazilian line, was successfully launched at Chester Pa., in the presence of unward of 10,000 people.-Judge Enlich, at Reading, Pa., refused John Geigel, an Austrian, who had been in this country eight years, naturalization papers on account of the applicant's complete ignorance of the Government of this country. - President Harrison and his family were taken in the private car of Vice-President Thomson, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, to Bells Gap View and Rhododendron Park on the Allegheny Mountains,---John D. Rockafeller gave \$1,000,000 to the new Chicago Baptist University in addition to the \$600,000 which he previously contributed, -- The New York Chamber of Commerce adopted resolutions asking that the time allowed by the McKinley bill for removing goods now in bond be extended to February 1. -The Senate passed the bill to reimburse money expended in 1864 in calling out the cian, has become a Hebrew, and on being circumcised took the name of Israel Isaac Ostenheimer. - In declining an invitation to the dinner of the Boston Boot and Shoe Club, Secretary Blaine writes strongly in favor of reciprocity with the Latin-American countries.

To Dedicate a Monument to Col. Morsch. Veterans of the 83d N. Y. (9th State Militia) started on a pilcrimage to Virginia, where they mink, and when it does swim, holds the head on the other track. The express train, run- shortage on stocks and the recent tight money and the other to dedicate a monument eracted to the memory of their Colonel, Joseph A. Moesch, who fell at the Wilderness, May 6, The Massachusetts Republican State Conven- 1864. The monument cost about \$500. It is a tion nominated the following ticket: For block of granite, and, with the pedestal, is Governor, John Quincy Adams Brackett, of seven feet in hight. On one side is the cont Arlington; Lieutenant-Governor, William H. of arms of the State of New York, on the other Haile, of Springfield; Treasurer, George A. | side the badge of the regiment in the form of a Marden, of Lowell; Secretary of State, William | Maltese cross. Under the regimental badge is M. Olin, of Boston; Auditor, John Henry | this inscription; "In memory of Col. Jos. A. Gould, of Medfield; Attorney-General, Albert | Moesch, killed at the battle of the Wilderness, E. Pillsbury, of Boston. - The following State | May 6,1864. Erected by his surviving comrades. ticket was nominated by the Massachusetts | Beneath the cost of arms are the words, "Ninth Labor party: For Governor, C. E. Marks, of Regiment, N. Y. S. M., 834 N. Y. Volunteers, Somerville; Lieutenant-Governor, George R. N. G. S. N. Y. Second Brigade, Second Divis-

Dowd, of Hyde Park; Treasurer, George K. J. | Nearly 40 veterans of the 9th went on the Moulton, of Boston; Attorney-General, J. pilgrimage from New York, starting from the Johnson, of Greenfield; Auditor, P. F. O'Neill, | Central Railroad of New Jersey at 2 p. m., Sept. -The Connecticut Democrats have nomi- | 20. The distinguishing badges were the uninated the following ticket: For Governor, L. form cap of the association and a ribbon. Ten B. Morris, of New Haven; Lieutenant-Gov- veterans joined the New Yorkers at Philadelernor, Dr. Joseph W. Alsop, of Middletown; | phia. The battlefields on which the regiment Secretary of State, John J. Phelan, of Bridge- was engaged are at Harper's Ferry, Fort Royal, port; Treasurer, Marvin H. Sanger, of Can- | Manassas, Cedar Mountaia, Chancellorsville, terbury; Comptroller, Nicholas Start, of New | the Wilderness, Laurel Hill, Spottsylvania and Milford .- The following ticket was nomi- | Cold Harbor, and the veterans will go to all nated by Massachusetts Democrats: For Gov- and then to Richmond, Warrenton and Newernor, William E. Russell, of Cambridge; Lieu- port News. Receptions will probably be held tenant-Governor, John Corcoran, of Clinton; | in some of the places, especially at Warrenton, Secretary of State, Elbridge Cushman, of Lake | where the regiment was stationed for a consid-

UNION VETERAN LEGION.

The National Encampment-Progress of the Order, The fifth National Encampment of the Legion will convene at Standard Hall, Fort Wayne, Ind Oct. 8, at 10 o'clock a. m. National Headquarters will be established at the Aveline House and the Gearge B. McLean, of Simsbury; Treasurer, E. | Adjutant-General's office at St. Louis will be closed S. Henry (renominated), of Vernon; Comp. Oct. 6, to be established at the Aveline House Oct Col. Com. Jas. E. Graham, of Encampment 51 will detail from that Encampment an Officer of the Day, Officer of the Guard, a Sergeant-Major, and a adopted a resolution requiring Rev. Washing- sufficient number of Sentinels for duty during the ton Gardner, Republican nominee for Secretary | session of the National Encampment. The Central of State, and J. W. Reed, Chairman of the and Trunk Line Associations have made a rate of Prohibition State Central Committee to, with- one and one-third fare for the round trip from all points in Central and Trunk Line Associations ter ritory, for the meeting. Representatives and comrades attending, must, not more than three days prior challenge to a public debate in Atlanta, Ga., on | to the date of opening of the Encampment, purchase condition that Norwood will openly declare regular full-fare tickets to Fort Wayne, and secure from the Ticket Agent a receipt for fare paid upon a certificate. Such certificate and receipt will be certified by F. L. Blair, Quartermaster General at Ohio District, has written a letter declining to | Fort Wayne, Ind., upon which the Ticket Agent at Fort Wayne, Ind., is authorized to sell return tickets

at one-third of the regular fare. The members of the Order who are about to organize a new Encampment in Philadelphia, are taking a sensible precaution to prevent persons of improper character becoming members. There are about 30 charter members, and it has been de-Hebrides. Whole islands are depopulated by cided by them not to accept any more. Those the French and English ships, who carry the | comrades who are now enrolled will first have the organization formerly instituted. When the Camp gets well into working order then applications for membership will be considered. Only comrade whose military record is creditable and whose personal character is good, will be admitted. Pas Col. Julius C. Aitken mustered the Encampmen on Wednesday evening in the hall of Gen. E. D. Baker Post, G.A.R., Philadelphia. Comrade Jas. Thompson is Colonel Commander. Application has been made for an old number, 30, but it is not certain whether it will be 30 or 73. Meetings will be held in Post 8's hall.

The boom in the Veteran Legion continues, and is now believed that the unjority of the first three years' veterans residing in Philadelphia wil soon be enrolled upon its books. Within a menth there will be at least six Encampments in this city The limit will probably be 10 at the most, as there is no necessity for having a large number. The attendance at the musters in the Encampments is usually very large, and the members enrolled it

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Union Veterans' Union.

The following have been elected officers of John A. Logan Command, Washington, D. C .: William Irving, Colonel; Stephen W. Baxter, Lieut.-Col.; L. W. Gifford, Maj.; W. C. Talley, Surg.; H. T. Caton, Chap.; G. O. Barker, Q. M. Samuel W. Baxter, O. D.; Nicholas McGowan, O. G.; John R. McConnell, Trustee (for three years). This is the fifth time that Col. Irving has been elected to lead the veterans. John A. Logan Command is in a flourishing condition, financially and numerically. At a regular meeting of Phil Sheridan Command, 3, Washington, it was by a unanimous vote decided to dissolve connection with the Order. This action is the outcome of the re-

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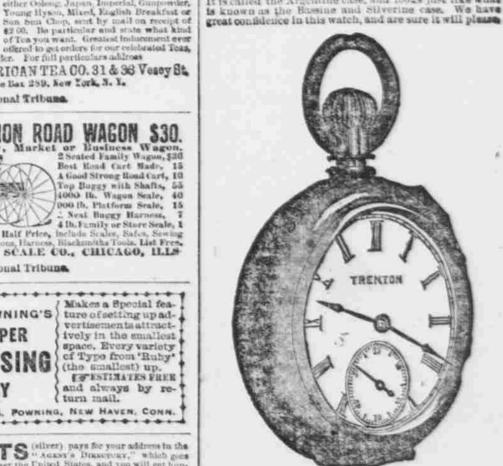




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